# VALENCIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

# **SPECIAL MEETING**

## **September 26, 2000**

## <u>MINUTES</u>

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY Chairman Alicia Aguilar at10:00 AM.

PRESENT	ABSENT
Alicia Aguilar, Chairman	
Aurelio H. Padilla, Vice-Chairman	
S. T. Frank Pando, Member	
Eloy Giron, Member	
Helen Baca, Member	
James Fernandez, County Manager	
	Thomas Garde, County Attorney
	Kandy Cordova, County Clerk
Press and Public	

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

County Manager James Fernandez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Commissioner Helen Baca read the Agenda. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Commissioner Pando, with a second by Commissioner Padilla. Motion carried.

#### Adoption of 2000 Valencia County Property Tax Rates

County Manager James Fernandez stated that he would be presenting the information for County Assessor Beverly Domingues Gonzales who is at a meeting in Farmington. He stated that this Special Meeting was called in accordance with Sections 7-38-34 which requires that within five days of receipt of the Order, the Board of County Commissioners must issue a written order imposing the tax at the rates set on the new taxable value of property allocated in the appropriate government units. He stated further that in addition, a copy of the order must be delivered immediately to the County Assessor. He stated that attached to their package, Commissioners should have the certificate of tax rates that have been sent to the County by the Department of Finance and Administration and in addition they should have a summary sheet that has been provided to us by the County Assessor's Office showing that the tax rates have changed from last year to this year by school district. He stated that he would stand for any questions.

Commissioner Pando requested clarification of the summary sheet. Mr. Fernandez responded that the tax rates are broken down basically into five distinct areas. He stated that the 1 In Residential are those particular properties that are within incorporated areas of Los Lunas. He stated that the I Out Resdential would be for properties outside the incorporated areas of Los Lunas and those would be for homes or some type of improvement to a piece of property. He stated that the Non-Residential would be either vacant land, commercial property, those would be the type. In Bosque Farms there would be 1 In Residential and 1 Out Non Residential, and that is specifically in the Bosque Farms area, in the incorporated area. He stated that the first page all falls within the Los Lunas School District so you will notice those dollar amounts allocated on that first sheet goes specifically to properties located within the Los Lunas School District. He stated that the second sheet will show property in 2 In which would be properties within the incorporated area of Belen; residential property, and also there is a Non-Residential rate for inside the incorporated areas in Belen, and again, those would be vacant properties, commercial properties. He stated further that you then have 2 Out which is the area located outside the incorporated area of Belen which would be from roughly Las Maravillas area going south and roughly from the middle of Los Chavez going south. Commissioner Pando inquired if the taxes had gone up or down or if they had stayed pretty stable. Mr. Fernandez responded that the summary sheet provided has a comparison between last year and this year. He stated further that an example would be Los Lunas In, last year the tax rate for Los Lunas within the incorporated areas for residential property was \$29.219 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation, He stated that this year the rate went down, it's now \$29.099, went down about .18 cents per thousand dollars of assessed valuation. He stated that in Los Lunas Out, the rate last year was \$22.456 per thousand and that rate went up slightly to \$22.516, roughly about six cents increase per thousand. He stated that in Bosque Farms there was a slight increase also, last year it was \$23.234 per thousand assessed valuation and this year it is \$23.311, or roughly an increase of eight cents per thousand assessed valuation. He stated that in Belen, Residential property, last year it was \$26.399 and this year it is \$26.4ll, roughly about a two cent increase per thousand assessed valuation. In Belen Out for residential property, last year it was \$19.848, this year it is \$19.733, a drop of roughly about eleven cents per thousand assessed valuation. He stated that conversely you will see the

breakdown and you will notice that Los Lunas Out Non Residential property, last year the rate was \$29.138, this year it is \$29.219, and eight cent increase. He stated that Bosque Farms In, last year rate was \$29.634, this year \$29,677, roughly an increase of three and a half or four cents per thousand assessed valuation. He stated that Belen In, last year it was \$33.416, this year \$33.567, roughly an increase of about sixteen cents per thousand. He stated that all other areas, Los Lunas In, Belen Out on non residential property had a slight decrease.

Commissioner Giron inquired as to the spread sheet showing highlighted areas. Mr. Fernandez stated that it was done to show the distinction between residential and non-residential areas. He stated that the taxable value, looking at the shaded area, would indicating that in Bosque Farms, the shaded area showing \$40,030,446 residential taxable area. He stated that in the opposite column, would indicated vacant land, non residential property in Bosque Farms of \$8,842,963. He stated that if you wanted to look at all the taxable value for Bosque Farms you would add those two figures together. He stated that out of taxable figures, it takes the tax rate times the taxable value that generates what dollars are going to be generated in each particular entity. (Exhibit A)

Commissioner Pando then inquired if the Assessor's Office had made any progress in the assessment of mobile homes. Mr. Fernandez replied that the Assessor's Office has a special unit assigned to mobile homes and they are being picked up as permanent property.

Commissioner Padilla inquired if the County would see any increase in tax dollars. Mr. Fernandez stated that the percentage of the total tax collected, the County will only receive 29% of every dollar collected or roughly .29 cents out of every dollar. Mr. Fernandez stated that the remainder goes to all the other entities, the municipalities, school districts, UNM Valencia Campus, MRGCD and the State. Commissioner Padilla stated that the only increase would be the gross receipts and Mr. Fernandez stated that if there is one. Mr. Fernandez stated that the only increases they will notice is if there are additional values picked up by the County Assessor, that would be additional revenue

Commissioner Padilla made a motion to approve the Property Tax Rates with a second to that motion by Commissioner Pando. Motion carried.

### ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Pando made a motion to adjourn with a second by Commissioner Giron. Motion Carried.

**NOTE:** All proposals, documents, items, etc., pertaining to items on the agenda of the September 26, 2000 Special Meeting (presented to the Board of County Commissioners) are attached in consecutive order as stated in these minutes.

### VALENCIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ss/ ALICIA AGUILAR, CHAIRMAN

ss/ AURELIO H. PADILLA, VICE-CHAIRMAN

ss/ S. T. FRANK PANDO, MEMBER

ss/ ELOY GIRON, MEMBER

ss/ HELEN BACA, MEMBER

ATTEST: ss/

KANDY CORDOVA, COUNTY CLERK

DATE: October 16, 2000

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